



School of Health and Social Care

Interview and selection day criteria

Occupational Therapy (BSc (Hons), BSc (Hons) Extended)

The interview is an opportunity to explain face-to-face why you are the right student for the course. The format of the interview is a multiple mini interview. You will meet a number of lecturers, clinicians and service users and each person will ask you to consider a realistic scenario related to elements of health care practice or the core NHS values.

Welcome Presentation

The interview starts with a presentation welcoming applicants to LSBU. During which the interview process is outlined. Throughout the day the admissions tutor and student ambassadors are available to answer questions.

The Multiple Mini Interview (MMI)

The MMI comprises of no more than six applicants moving around six individual stations to be interviewed by separate interviewers in a one-to-one interview. The starting point for each applicant is different but each interviewer will ask the same question of all six applicants in turn. Four minutes is allowed for each answer and one minute for moving between stations. There will be interviewers at each station; they will ask you a question based on one of the NHS constitution values NHS core values:

- Working together for patients
- Respect and dignity
- Commitment to quality of care
- Compassion
- Improving lives
- Everyone counts

The first interviewer will ask a starter question so your time with them will be eight minutes.

At interview we are also looking for:

- commitment to the profession;
- some understanding of what the profession entails;
- reflexive skills;
- concern for people;
- warmth and empathy;



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- altruism and citizenship;
- creative and problem solving ability; and
- a considered approach to learning and preparation for study

Interview checklist:

- ✓ Be clear, confident and convincing about your reasons for choosing this career.
- ✓ Be sensitive and compassionate.
- ✓ Reflect on your personal qualities, skills and what you have learnt through any placement's or work experience when presenting your answers.
- ✓ Stay calm and collected; take your time to consider your answers.

Documents to bring:

- Your identity will be checked against your passport or driving licence. You must bring one of these documents with you to your interview. If you forget we will not be able to interview you.